

# California

- In 2024, the NCJFCJ fulfilled 13 requests for technical assistance from **California**.
- In 2024, the NCJFCJ trained 516 judges, judicial officers, attorneys, and other juvenile and family court-related professionals working to protect **California's** children, families, and victims in our communities.
- The NCJFCJ held our annual Lead Judges All Sites conference in **Anaheim** to bring together over 25 Implementation Sites and Model Tribal Court Sites.
- As part of the Implementation Sites Project, the NCJFCJ provides targeted training and technical assistance, and site visits, to the **Orange County Superior Court** to improve practice in the handling of child abuse and neglect cases, reduce the number of children in foster care, and improve outcomes for children in care.
- The **San Jose** Mentor Child Abuse and Neglect Model Court and the **Los Angeles** Child Abuse and Neglect Model Court are recognized for their efforts to improve outcomes for abused and neglected children and their families.
- The **California** Dependency Attorneys for Parents hosted a one-day event in 2024 for parents' attorneys in **California** Dependency proceedings, where the NCJFCJ shared its Reasonable Efforts book.
- The NCJFCJ continues to consult with **California's Department of Justice** as they develop plans for replacing the state's Juvenile Court and Probation Statistical System (JCPSS). **California** has been a long-time contributor of JCPSS data to the NCJFCJ's National Juvenile Court Data Archive.
- The NCJFCJ hosted a national training event in **Valencia** for its Judicial Education Development Initiative on Domestic Violence (JEDI-DV): the National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence's (NJIDV) Continuing Judicial Skills (CJS) Workshop with two topic-specific workshops on immigration, parenting time and domestic violence, cyberviolence, and civil and criminal compliance in domestic violence cases.
- The NCJFCJ's Field-Generated Strategies to End the Criminalization of Minor Victims of Sex Trafficking project, funded by the Office for Victims of Crime, provides direct training and technical assistance to **Sacramento County's** Consultation, Support, and Engagement Team.
- A judge from **California** attended the NCJFCJ's National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence (NJIDV) 25th Anniversary Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases (EJS) workshop.
- The NCJFCJ has 74 Judicial and Associate Members in **California**. **Soberlink** in **Huntington Beach** and **Parents Anonymous, Inc.** in **Claremont** are Organizational Members of the NCJFCJ.
- **Judge Michael Nash (Ret.)** of **Los Angeles** and **Judge Leonard P. Edwards (Ret.)** of **San Francisco** are NCJFCJ Past Presidents. **Judge Marguerite Downing** of **Monterey Park** served as a 2024 Days on the Hill Delegate for the NCJFCJ. **Dr. Robert A. Simon** of **San Diego** is a NCJFCJ Amicus Council Member. **Tiffany Brown**, partner at Blanchard, Krasner & French, of **La Jolla**, is a NCJFCJ Board Member. **Mark A. Krasner**, Founding Partner at Blanchard, Krasner & French, of **La Jolla**, is a Sustaining Member of the NCJFCJ.

## National Impact

In 2024, the NCJFCJ's work impacted approximately **4 million** families across the nation. Our publications amassed over **94,000** views, the team fulfilled over **150** requests for technical assistance, and trained over **15,000** judges, judicial officers, attorneys, and other juvenile and family-court related professionals across the nation.

- **Court Leadership & Education**  
Educate judges, court professionals, and community members about leadership skills and best practices to improve the justice system
- **Domestic Child Sex Trafficking**  
Improving outcomes for vulnerable and victimized children through judicial education and action
- **National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence**  
Enhancing judicial skills to promote victim safety and batterer accountability
- **Juvenile Justice GPS**  
Providing juvenile justice policy, practice, and statistics by state
- **Trauma-Informed Courts & the Adolescent Brain**  
Promoting trauma-responsive courts and practices informed by science
- **Child Abuse & Neglect Institute**  
Improving outcomes for abused and neglected children through dependency court best practices
- **Military-Connected Families**  
Enhancing judicial skills to best serve military-connected families
- **Tribal Courts & ICWA**  
Promoting collaboration between tribal and state courts
- **Juvenile Drug Treatment Courts**  
Enhancing effectiveness in addressing youth substance abuse
- **Animal Cruelty**  
Understanding the link between animal abuse and other forms of violence
- **Implementation Sites & Project ONE**  
Approaching families holistically and improving outcomes for children in care
- **Self-Care & Wellness**  
Promoting judicial self-care and wellness for centering oneself for leadership

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